## **AMENDMENTS**

## In the Claims

The following is a marked-up version of the claims with the language that is underlined ("\_\_\_\_") being added and the language that contains strikethrough ("——") being deleted:

1. (Currently Amended) A method for multiple inputs, multiple outputs (MIMO) power spectral density (PSD) allocation in a digital subscriber line (DSL) system, the method comprising:

monitoring system performance by performing a multi-ended line test (MELT); processing the MELT; and

allocating PSD based on at least one of the following: system coupling power and system traffic, the allocating PSD based on system coupling power comprising a full mask control scheme. scheme, the full mask scheme configured for a central office to communicate the allocated PSD to a customer premises to re-compute a bit-loading using a seamless rate adaptation (SRA) procedure.

- 2. (Original) The method of claim 1 wherein performing a MELT further comprises: dynamically determining the near end cross talk (NEXT)/ECHO couplings at a customer premises (CP) location.
- (Original) The method of claim 1 wherein performing a MELT further comprises:
   dynamically determining the near end cross talk (NEXT)/ECHO couplings at a central office
   (CO) location.

- 4. (Original) The method of claim 1 wherein performing a MELT further comprises: dynamically determining the far end cross talk (FEXT) couplings at a customer premises (CP) location.
- 5. (Original) The method of claim 1 wherein performing a MELT further comprises: dynamically determining the far end cross talk (FEXT) couplings at a central office (CO) location.
- 6. (Original) The method of claim 1 wherein processing the MELT further comprises processing the MELT by a disruptive method.
- 7. (Original) The method of claim 1 wherein processing the MELT further comprises processing the MELT by a non-disruptive method.
- 8. (Original) The method of claim 7 wherein the non-disruptive method further comprises an active method.
- 9. (Original) The method of claim 7 wherein the non-disruptive method further comprises a passive method.
- 10. 12. (Canceled)
- 13. (Currently Amended) A system for dynamically monitoring and allocating upstream and downstream power spectral density (PSD) of a transceiver set, the system comprising: a monitor for performing multi-ended line tests (MELT);

a controller, responsive to the monitor, for performing multiple inputs, multiple outputs (MIMO) dynamic PSD allocation of upstream and downstream PSD; PSD, the controller further configured to implement a full mask scheme for a central office to communicate the allocated PSD to a customer premises to re-compute a bit-loading using a seamless rate adaptation (SRA) procedure; and

a table of upstream PSD and downstream PSD for each time (t) and each line.

- 14. (Original) The system of claim 13, wherein the monitor is receptive to a priori information from other system levels.
- 15. (Original) The system of claim 13, wherein the controller is receptive to a priori information from other system levels.
- 16. (Currently Amended) A system for multiple inputs, multiple outputs (MIMO) dynamic monitoring and allocation of upstream and downstream power spectral density (PSD) of a transceiver set, the system comprising:

a monitor for performing multi-ended line tests (MELT) on components within the DSL system;

a controller, for performing MIMO dynamic allocation of upstream and downstream PSD for the components within the DSL system, wherein the controller is responsive to at least one of the monitor and a priori knowledge received from components within the DSL system; system, the controller further configured to implement a full mask scheme for a central office to communicate the allocated PSD to a customer premises to re-compute a bit-loading using a seamless rate adaptation (SRA) procedure; and

a table of upstream PSD and downstream PSD for each time (t) and each line.

- 17. (Previously Presented) The system of claim 16, wherein the monitor is receptive to a priori information from components within the DSL system.
- 18. (Previously Presented) The system of claim 16, wherein the multi-ended line tests include at least one of the following:

dynamic determination of near end cross talk (NEXT)/ECHO couplings at a customer premises (CP) location;

dynamic determination of far end cross talk (FEXT) couplings at a central office (CO) location;

dynamic determination of far end cross talk (FEXT) couplings at the CP location; and dynamic determination of far end cross talk (FEXT) couplings at the CO location.

- 19. (Previously Presented) The system of claim 16 wherein the controller is further configured to perform MIMO dynamic allocation of upstream and downstream PSD by a disruptive method.
- 20. (Previously Presented) The system of claim 16 wherein the controller is further configured to perform MIMO dynamic allocation of upstream and downstream PSD by a non-disruptive method comprised of an active method and a passive method.
- 21. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 1 wherein the allocation of PSD based upon system traffic further comprises implementing a traffic based power swap scheme.
- 22. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 21 wherein the traffic based power swap scheme includes at least one of the following: an anticipated power swap scheme and a selective power swap scheme.

- 23. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 21 wherein the allocating PSD based on system coupling power includes at least one of the following: a full mask control scheme, a selective bit control, and a power swap scheme.
- 24. (New) A system for multiple inputs, multiple outputs (MIMO) power spectral density
  (PSD) allocation in a digital subscriber line (DSL) system, the method comprising:
  means for monitoring system performance by performing a multi-ended line test (MELT);
  means for processing the MELT; and

means for allocating PSD based on at least one of the following: system coupling power and system traffic, the allocating PSD based on system coupling power comprising a full mask control scheme, the full mask scheme configured for a central office to communicate the allocated PSD to a customer premises to re-compute a bit-loading using a seamless rate adaptation (SRA) procedure.

25. (New) The method of claim 24 wherein means for performing a MELT further comprises: means for dynamically determining the near end cross talk (NEXT)/ECHO couplings at a customer premises (CP) location.